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Applicant: NITTA et al.

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For: DETERGENT PARTICLES, PROCESS FOR  
PREPARING THE SAME, AND DETERGENT  
COMPOSITION HAVING HIGH BULK DENSITY

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REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated March 24, 2000, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-4 without prejudice or disclaimer to the subject matter contained therein.

Please amend the following claims:

5. (Once Amended) The method according to claim [3] 16 or

[4] 17, further comprising the step of adding a free-flowing aid

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